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Dr. J. Thomas Flagg, of 44 Stengel Avenue, a public school teacher and administrator for the past 24 years, last week assumed new duties as education director for the United Community Corporation, Newark's antipoverty agency.

Dr. Flagg, who holds a bachelor's and a master's degrees from Montclair State College, and a doctorate from Rutgers University, will coordinate and develop special projects in education as part of the UCC's overall community action program.

A current project is the year-round pre-school program, conducted by the Newark Pre-School Council, Inc., an organization formed in 1965 under the auspices of the UCC. In addition, two short term projects were carried out last summer by Queen of Angels Church and Seton Hall University.

Prior to joining UCC Dr. Flagg served as a supervisory assistant of science for Newark's junior high schools, and in 1965 was director of Newark's first Neighborhood Youth Corps, a work

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training program for unemployed youth under the Federal Economic Opportunity Act.

Dr. Flagg was coordinator with the South Side Project, an action-research program which preceded the UCC in Newark as part of the effort to develop plans to meet growing urban problems in housing, education and employment.

Active in a host of professional and civic endeavors, Dr. Flagg is a trustee of the South Ward Boys Club; chairman of the public affairs committee of Frontiers International; and is on the executive board of the Montclair State College Alumni Association.

Dr. Flagg, three times a member of the Board of Examiners to select science teachers for Newark schools, is also chairman of the Earth Science curriculum Committee, and was assistant chairman of the Earth Science Section, N.J. Science Teachers Association. In 1964 he addressed the convention of the National Science Teachers Assn., and in 1965 he was consultant to Project CAUSE II, an educational program, at Tuskegee Institute. He has also done graduate study at Columbia University, Seton Hall University and is the recipient of three National Science Foundation grants.

Dr. Flagg and his wife, Alma, have two children. His wife is principal of Hawkins Street School.